

April 2004

SOUTHERN COMMAND

SAFESTAT REPORT

Nevada Highway Patrol

For Major Phil Tilt by Captain Todd Ellison

Overview

In April 2004, the Southern Command filled percentage of authorized traffic sergeant and trooper positions decreased. Two troopers retired, increasing the vacancy rate to 18.8% of the authorized traffic positions as compared to a 16.8% vacancy rate in March 2004. The filled percentage of authorized sergeant and trooper positions assigned to Commercial Operations is 100%, as compared to an approximate 53% vacancy rate in April 2003. However, 5 Commercial troopers are currently assigned temporarily to Traffic Operations and 1 Commercial trooper retired in mid-April. Although the Highway Patrol has filled a number of vacancies for the Southern Command, most of these troopers are yet to be deployed in the field. Effectively, this means the Southern Command Traffic Operations is still severely under staffed. During the past three months we have continued to lose experienced personnel to other local agencies, and we continue to struggle with a substantial lack of personnel working the road. Dispatch vacancies remain at 18 positions. The recent dispatch recruitment resulted in 39 applications being accepted and they continue to be processed. The Center will continue to struggle with the lack of manpower until the vacant positions are filled and the personnel are trained.

Southern Command personnel handled 993 crashes during April 2004 as compared to 952 total crashes in April 2003. This was an increase of 4.3%. There were a total of 6 fatal crashes in April 2004 and 6 people died, compared to 5 fatal crashes in April 2003 where 6 people died. The Southern Command preliminary documentation shows a decrease in the overall number of commercial vehicle crashes. We have completed 36 commercial crash reports for the month of April 2004, compared to 49 in April 2003. Of the commercial crashes investigated this month there were no fatalities, 7 resulted in injuries, and the remainder were property damage only. Crashes involving commercial vehicles represented 3.7% of the total crashes handled by Southern Command in March 2004. Commercial Operations will continue to focus on hazardous moving, and out-of-service violations, which cause or contribute to crashes.

The Southern Command had a decrease in overall enforcement in April 2004. The Southern Command showed a 26.4% increase in DUI arrests prior to crashes and a 10.7% increase in occupant restraint enforcement in April 2004 as compared to April 2003. There was also an increase in DUI arrests from crashes, they increased 40% as compared to April 2003. In addition, the time spent investigating accidents increased by almost 270 hours compared to last month. Overtime also increased 33.8% compared to April 2003. These changes, which were expected, are attributed directly to the deployment of the IPAQ's, the new crash form, and the entry of crash data into the Nevada Citation and Accident Tracking System (NCATS). The command recently made manual entry of data into the Crossroads system optional for those officers not equipped with an IPAQ. Subsequently, a 13% decrease in overtime was posted from the previous month. The decrease in overall activity and increase in crash investigation time continue to be problematic, as troopers struggle with IPAQ technology and operational issues that continue to prove frustrating. Southern Command Commercial Operations is struggling in their activity in many areas when compared to April 2003. Commercial Operations' overall activity will be addressed with the assigned personnel.

Southern Command personnel continue to perform their duties under increasing work loads in a professional manner, and I commend their hard work and dedication.

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CRASH ANALYSIS AND OVERVIEW

	April 04		April 03	% Change		March 04	% Change
Total Crashes	993		952	4.3%		1061	-6.4%
Property crashes [including commercial vehicles]	738		656	12.5%		755	-2.3%
Injury crashes [including commercial vehicles]	249		291	-14.4%		297	-16.2%
Fatal crashes [including commercial vehicles]	6		5	20.0%		9	-33.3%
DUI crashes [DUI charged]	49		35	40.0%		39	25.6%
Total persons killed in fatal crashes	6		6	0.0%		9	-33.3%
Total drivers killed without seatbelts	4		2	100.0%		1	300.0%
Total passengers killed without seatbelts	0		1	-100.0%		1	-100.0%
Total drivers killed with seatbelts	0		1	-100.0%		5	-500.0%
Total passengers killed with seatbelts	0		1	-100.0%		0	0.0%
Total persons killed - seatbelts not applicable	2		0	200.0%		2	0.0%
Total number of commercial vehicle crashes	36		49	-26.5%		46	-21.7%
Property crashes involving commercial vehicle	29		36	-19.4%		30	-3.3%
Injury crashes involving commercial vehicle	7		13	-46.2%		15	-53.3%
Fatal crashes involving commercial vehicle	0		0	0.0%		2	-200.0%

Percentage of fatal crashes to total crashes 0.6%

Percentage of DUI crashes to total crashes 4.9%

Percentage of persons killed *without* seatbelts to total persons killed 100.0%

Percentage of commercial vehicle crashes to total crashes 3.6%

CRASH ANALYSIS

The Southern Command experienced an increase in the number of property damage crashes during the month of April, as compared to April 2003. Injury crashes decreased when compared to the same period last year. Although there is an increase in the total number of crashes, we attribute the decrease in crash severity to an increase in occupant restraint compliance.

The 4.3% increase from April 2003 in total crashes is roughly equivalent to the population growth in Southern Nevada over the same period. Crashes decreased in every category when compared to March 2004.

Construction zones continue to be the most common location for Southern Command crashes. Over half of the crashes occurring within the Southern Command, occurred in or near construction zones.

CRASH ANALYSIS

SOUTHERN CRASH INVESTIGATION DETAIL FATAL ANALYSIS

Fatal crashes are down from last month, there were 6 in April, as opposed to 9 in March. There were 5 fatal crashes in April of 2003. Only one of the fatal crashes during April 2004 was related to alcohol or drugs, a reflection of the Southern Command's on-going dedication to arresting intoxicated drivers before they crash.

Interstate 215 / Clark County 215 are commonly referred to as the Las Vegas Beltway. The initial phase of the beltway was completed in November 2003, and consists of 235 lane miles of concrete and asphalt pavement. * Traffic enforcement and investigation on the beltway is the responsibility of the Southern Command.

Of the 6 fatal crashes during this month, 2 occurred on the beltway, between Flamingo and Charleston Boulevards. Additionally, Trooper Josh Moses (NHP #391) was injured on the beltway at Sunset Road, when a motorist failed to yield from a stop sign and pulled out in front of Trooper Moses' motorcycle. In total, the beltway accounted for nearly 43% of the crashes investigated by the Southern Crash Investigation Detail (SCID) in April of 2004.

In the last twelve months, there have been 10 fatal crashes on the beltway. In that time, the Southern Command has investigated 84 fatal crashes total, so the beltway accounted for 11.9% of them. However, out of the 21 total fatal crashes in the last three months, 4 occurred on the beltway. Therefore, in those three months, 19% of the fatal crashes in the Southern Command happened on the beltway. This trend is a reflection of the increased traffic on the beltway, as Las Vegas suburbs spread beyond it, and the beltway becomes a commuter route.

*source: <http://www.co.clark.nv.us/pubworks/beltway/beltway.htm>

COMMERCIAL CRASH ANALYSIS

The Southern Command investigated 993 accidents in March, with 36 commercial accidents, approximately 3.6% of the overall total. Twenty nine of the commercial crashes were property damage, and 7 were injury. There were no fatalities involving a commercial vehicle during the month of April. Southern Command continues to see a decrease in the number of commercial crashes, with a decrease of 26.5% compared to this same period last year, and 21.7% compared to March.

FIELD ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY

[Analysis and review of current reporting period, versus same period in previous fiscal year, versus previous reporting period]

TRAFFIC OPERATIONS	April 04		April 03	% Change		March 04	% Change
DUI arrests from crashes ##	49		35	40.0%		39	25.6%
DUI arrests <i>prior</i> to crashes ##	153		121	26.4%		128	19.5%
Other arrests	824		860	-4.2%		701	17.5%
Total persons arrested (DUI included) ##	363		359	1.1%		339	7.1%
Speed violations	2438		3096	-21.3%		2719	-10.3%
Hazardous moving violations	1794		1960	-8.5%		2011	-10.8%
Occupant restraint violations * ##	601		543	10.7%		710	-15.4%
Total violations [above violations included]	8703		9461	-8.0%		9429	-7.7%
COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS							
Hazardous moving violations - citations/arrests	20		49	-59.2%		26	-23.1%
Other traffic violations - citations/arrests	122		307	-60.3%		124	-1.6%
Total safety inspections [level 1, 2, 3, 4, & 6]	605		741	-18.4%		575	5.2%
Terminal inspections [level 5] CR only	7		N/A	#VALUE!		N/A	#VALUE!%
Total safety violations -- citation	169		445	-62.0%		215	-21.4%
Total safety violations -- repair order	1552		3295	-52.9%		1706	-9.0%
Total vehicles placed "Out of Service"	87		143	-39.2%		111	-21.6%
Total drivers placed "Out of Service"	57		113	-49.6%		57	0.0%
Total school buses inspected	125		292	-57.2%		583	-78.6%
Total school buses placed "Out of Service"	113		46	145.7%		113	0.0%
Total trucks weighed	967		613	57.7%		433	123.3%
Total overweight citations	17		62	-72.6%		36	-52.8%
Total dyed fuel inspections	612		744	-17.7%		578	5.9%
Total dyed fuel citations	0		2	-200.0%		0	0.0%

*Seatbelt and Child Restraint

Commercial Operations Activity Included

TRAFFIC OPERATIONS ANALYSIS

During April, the Southern Command continued to struggle with the implementation of NCATS (Nevada Citation and Accident Tracking System), specifically crash data input. There was an increase of 389 hours of reporting and crash investigation time for April, as compared to March 2004.

In spite of the crash reporting transition problems, the Southern Command increased their DUI enforcement. DUI arrests prior to crashes, and DUI arrests from crashes increased as compared to April 2003, and as compared to March 2004. Although occupant restraint enforcement increased, as compared to April 2003, there was a slight decrease as compared to March 2004. The loss of work time to the crash reporting transition has resulted in decreases in enforcement of hazardous moving, occupant restraint, and speed violations.

In addition, the NCATS transition has been particularly challenging for supervisors. More supervisory time has been committed to the transition and subsequent problems, which has resulted in the loss of supervisory attention elsewhere.

FIELD ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY

CRIMINAL INTERDICTION

During the month of April, the Southern Command's Criminal Interdiction team conducted 151 traffic stops and 70 motorist assists. Of the 151 traffic stops there were 17 consent searches that resulted in 1 Felony Drug Arrest, 10 other arrests, 51 citations issued, and 1 recovered stolen vehicle. The following is a break down of seizures that resulted from these searches:

Cocaine:	57.7 grams estimated street value \$4,616.00
Rock Cocaine:	1.6 grams estimated street value \$80.00
Methamphetamine:	1.0 grams estimated street value \$50.00
Marijuana:	470 grams estimated street value \$960.00
Currency:	\$101,050.00

AVERAGE BAC

The average blood alcohol concentration (BAC) of drivers arrested in April 2004 was 0.17%. Drivers arrested prior to crashing had an average BAC of 0.162%, and drivers arrested post crash had an average BAC of 0.187%. Of all drivers arrested for DUI 13% tested positive for controlled substances. In addition, 2% of drivers arrested had a prior conviction for DUI; this is down 5% from last month. The average age for all drivers arrested for DUI was 34 years old.

COMMERCIAL FIELD ENFORCEMENT ANALYSIS

The Southern Command Commercial Operations is continuing to show decreases in hazardous moving citations issued (59%) and other traffic violation citations (60%), when compared to the same period in 2003. When compared to March of 2004, the decrease is 23% for hazardous moving, and 1% for other traffic violations. Safety inspections have increased by 5% over March, but have decreased when compared to the same period in 2003, by 18%. Total trucks weighed increased 57% compared to March, they have increased by 123% as compared to April 2003. Overweight citations have decreased 72%, reflecting that we are weighing more vehicles, but finding fewer that are operating overweight. Vehicles placed out of service have decreased by 39%, and drivers placed out of service by 49%.

STAFFING AND WORK HOURS

	Total Authorized Positions		Current Positions Staffed		Vacancy Rate	
STAFFING	April 04	April 03	Administrative Assignment	Field Operations	Positions Vacant	Vacancy Rate Percentage
Traffic [Tpr. & Sgt.]	149	155	32*	89	28.0	18.8%
Commercial [Tpr. & Sgt.]	25	30	12	13	0.0	0.0%
Commercial CVSI	5	5	3	1	1.0	20.0%
BELOW WORK HOURS ARE FIELD OPERATIONS PERSONNEL ONLY						
WORK HOURS LOST	April 04		April 03	% Change	March 04	% Change
Annual leave	853		1025	-16.8%	1164	-26.7%
Compensatory leave	344.25		404.05	-14.8%	594.5	-42.1%
Sick leave [personal and family]	1261.25		1120	12.6%	1363.25	-7.5%
Military leave	63		490	-87.1%	54	16.7%
Holiday off	0		0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Training	2023.17		2380.75	-15.0%	2485.43	-18.6%
Administrative leave	555		0	55500.0%	166	234.3%
Leave without pay	0		0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Total work hours lost	5099.67		5419.8	-5.9%	5827.18	-12.5%
OVERTIME	April 04		April 03	% Change	March 04	% Change
Paid overtime claimed	2175.50		1652.4	31.7%	2504.25	-13.1%
Compensatory overtime claimed	204.83		126.5	61.9%	214.27	-4.4%
Total overtime hours	2380.33		1778.9	33.8%	2718.52	-12.4%
TOTAL HOURS WORKED	April 04		April 03	% Change	March 04	% Change
Number of authorized positions x 173 hours**	17819		19376	-8.0%	17127	4.0%
Work hours lost	5099.67		5419.8	-5.9%	5827.18	-12.5%
Overtime	2380.33		1778.9	33.8%	2718.52	-12.4%
Total hours worked	15099.67		15735.1	-4.0%	14018.34	7.7%

* Admin assignment includes: TDY, academy, & staff assignments

** 173 hours based upon 2080 work hours per year divided by 12 months

STAFFING / WORK HOURS

TRAFFIC OPERATIONS

The Southern Command experienced a loss of manpower during the three week Technical Accident Investigation Course, in which 16 troopers participated. During April, the Southern Command had five troopers in training status assigned to the PSTO program.

COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS

Commercial Enforcement is reflecting a 0% vacancy rate. As noted in prior Safestat reports, the Southern Command Commercial Enforcement Operation is carrying 12 positions in administrative assignments. The 12 administrative positions include 6 trooper PCN's that were transferred to Commercial Operations from traffic, with those personnel still remaining in traffic. One trooper position is assigned to background investigations; one sergeant and one trooper handle administrative assignments for Commercial Operations. The Southern Command Commercial Operations Section is striving to obtain refresher training for our seasoned Commercial troopers. Training instructed, or attended by, Southern Command Commercial personnel decreased 18.5% or 401 hours in April, when compared to 676 hours in March. Compared to April 2003, training increased 12.4 % for the month of April.

Training included:

- Cargo Tank
- First Responder
- Compliance Review
- HazMat Transportation Certification

During the month of April work hours lost due to leave increased, from 557 hours in March, to 1,305 hours in April. Work hours lost compared to the same period in 2003 shows a 103% increase for the month of April.

OVERTIME

Overtime showed a 33% increase compared to April last year, with a 12% decrease when compared to March 2004. This monthly decrease was the result of a change in the requirement to enter all crashes into the "Crossroads" system, which is now optional. The amount of time required to complete reports at the trooper level was causing significant reductions in available field staffing levels, which was address by making crash entry optional.

RATIOS – CRASHES AND ENFORCEMENT

ACCIDENT RATIOS

April 04

Region wide crash ratios per Traffic position	
Total	11.2
Property	8.3
Injury	2.8
Fatal	0.1
DUI	0.6
Commercial vehicle	0.4
Ratio of deaths per fatal crash	1.0*
without seatbelts	0.7
with seatbelts	0.0

* Including non-motorist fatalities

FIELD ENFORCEMENT

Region wide enforcement ratios per Traffic position	
DUI arrests from crashes	0.6
DUI arrests prior to crashes	1.7
Other arrests	9.3
Total persons arrested (DUI included)	4.1
Speed violations	27.4
Hazardous moving violations	20.2
Occupant restraint violations	6.8
Total violations	97.8

TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT RATIOS

Troopers logged 20,018 contacts with the public. In addition to field enforcement and response to traffic crashes, these incidents included: motorist assists, debris removal, medical assists, allied agency assistance, and traffic hazard mitigation.

The traffic enforcement ratios have been broken down further, to give a more accurate picture of the distribution of workload in the Southern Command between Urban and Rural Operations:

- In the Rural areas of the Southern Command, traffic troopers assigned had a crash ratio of approximately 3 crashes per staffed field operations position. Approximately 87 citations were issued per staffed position and approximately 1 DUI arrest was made per position.
- In the Urban areas of the Southern Command, the crash ratio was approximately 14 crashes per staffed traffic position. Approximately 96 citations were issued per staffed field position and approximately 3 DUI arrests were made per position.

RATIOS – CRASHES AND ENFORCEMENT *Cont'd*

INSPECTION / ENFORCEMENT RATIOS

April 04

Ratio of inspections and enforcement per Commercial position

Hazardous moving violations - citations	*	1.5
Other traffic violations - citations	*	9.4
Total safety inspections [all levels]		43.2
Terminal inspections TIP		0.5
Total safety violations -- citation	*	13.0
Average safety violations per inspection -- citation		0.3
Total safety violations -- repair order		110.9
Average safety violations per inspection -- repair order		2.6
Total vehicles placed "Out of Service"		6.2
Average vehicles placed OOS per inspection		0.1
Total drivers placed "Out of Service"		4.1
Average drivers placed OOS per inspection		0.1
Total school buses inspected		8.9
Total school buses placed "Out of Service"		8.1
Total trucks weighed	*	74.4
Total overweight citations	*	1.3
Total dyed fuel inspections	*	47.1
Total dyed fuel citations	*	0.0

* Commercial sworn only

The Southern Command Commercial Operation is showing a decrease in enforced traffic violations, from 10.3 last month, to 9.4 citations per person for April. Total inspections increased by 5%. When the ratio of inspection by position is applied, in March 44.2 inspections were accomplished per position, and in April the ratio was 43.2. Total safety violations decreased from 17 per position in March, to 13 per position in April. The Southern Command was without our semi-portable scales for most of this year. The scales have been repaired, resulting in an increase of 123% trucks weighed or 74.4 trucks weighed by position, as compared to 36.1 trucks weighed per position in March.

ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS

EVIDENCE VAULT

The Nevada Highway Patrol retains the responsibility for administering the Department of Public Safety Evidence Vault. A review of the evidence placed into the vault during April 2004, revealed a 9% increase in the number of cases submitted with evidence over the previous month. This translated into a 30% increase in the total number of items submitted. The most significant increase came from items disposed, which more than doubled from the previous month.

The breakdown for the month of April showed the following usage by Division:

Nevada Highway Patrol	80% of Case Submissions
Parole and Probation	02% of Case Submissions
Investigation Division	17% of Case Submissions

CONTRACT SERVICES

Contract Service agreements had a 42% increase in the number of contracts for April compared to the same time last year. NHP recorded a 72% decrease in contract time this month with 401.90 hours. These contracts reimbursed the Highway Patrol \$7,969.50 with \$25,995.55 still pending in overtime costs. The total debt collected this month was \$80,539.09, most of which came from the Las Vegas NASCAR contract. This brings the NHP total Contract Services overtime for this calendar year to 44 contracts and 2,395.55 hours which will reimburse NHP for \$160,119.24.

FLIGHT OPERATIONS

During the month of April 2004 flight operations flew 5 enforcement missions that resulted in 284 citations issued. Eight prisoner transports were completed, and 1 search mission which located a burning vehicle and a stranded driver.

Fiscal year costs to date show \$84,279.79 have been spent to operate the Southern Command aircraft. \$2,041.49 has been reimbursed to NHP, and the estimated revenue for the counties, based on bail schedules or bail amounts has been \$636,086.00.

SOUTHWEST POLICE MOTORCYCLE TRAINING COMPETITION

On April 23 and 24, Troopers John Dorff and Seong Lee from the Southern Command were in Tucson, Arizona. They competed in the Southwest Police Motorcycle Training Competition, where motor officers test their riding skills against other "motors" in various events. Of the 82 competitors there, Trooper Dorff was judged 13th overall, and Trooper Lee was judged 20th.

PUBLIC SAFETY DISPATCH CENTER

During National Telecommunications Week, Acting PSD IV, Freda McKnight was named as the 2003 Dispatcher of the Year. Freda also received the Dispatcher of the Quarter Award for the first Quarter of 2004. Freda was recognized for both of her outstanding achievements at the Awards Ceremony, held on April 21, 2004.

Call boxes have been activated along Interstate 15 from the California state line to the Saint Rose Parkway Interchange. The call boxes are a radio based system designed to assist motorists in distress, and have to be answered in the dispatch center on a separate console. From deployment to the end of April, 294 call box calls were received, from the public and during the initial testing of each call box.

The Southern Command Communications Center continues to operate with 18 vacancies. The three new employees are progressing well with training. Two new employees are scheduled to start on May 17, 2004

The following is a summary of call types received in the Southern Command Public Safety Dispatch Center:

- 648 media calls (a decrease of just under 11% from March 2004 and an increase of 26% from April 2003)
- 153,121 radio transmissions (an increase by 15% from April 2003 and a decrease of 1.7% from March 2004)
 - Average daily radio transmissions per shift
 - Grave yard 1,053
 - Day Shift 1,831
 - Swing Shift 2,220
- 33,375 telephone calls (a decrease by .5% from March 2004 and a decrease of 1% from April 2003)
 - Average daily phone calls per shift
 - Grave yard 199
 - Day Shift 417
 - Swing Shift 497
- 294 Call Box incidents

RECORDS SECTION

The Records Section had 767 visitors requesting services in April. The section processed 1,044 crash reports, compared to 964 in April 2003. There were 45 office reports taken and 6,577 reports mailed. This section issued releases for 128 vehicles from impound and filled 1,160 requests for copies of crash reports. On April 19, 2004, this section welcomed two new employees. This section still has one vacancy.

OFFICE HIT AND RUN REPORTS

There were a total of 10 new hit and run reports taken at the front counter during the month of April. This is down slightly from the previous month. Of the 10 crashes, 3 were cleared. Twenty-nine hit and run reports have been cleared since January.

COURT SERVICES SECTION

The Court Services Section received 395 bench warrants from area courts during April 2004, and cleared 2,012 warrants from the Criminal Justice Information System. 1,724 of the warrants cleared were due to the Clark County Court System clearing all traffic warrants that were issued prior to March 1, 1999. This section also validated 1,809 active warrants, checking for accuracy and completeness. This section accomplished the above workload with one vacant position. Court Services arranged 11 in-state transports and 1 extradition on wanted subjects, which is a slight decrease from last month.

DATA ENTRY

The Data Entry Section increased their citation entry by 274% for April 2004. This section is still 3 months behind in their citation entry, due to differences in the Crossroads system entry process. The accident report backlog has decreased due to the sworn personnel inputting most of the accident reports.

PERSONNEL

NEW HIRES

Jennifer Breece
Melissa Marquez

RETIREMENTS

James Bell
Elvin Hensley

COMMENDATIONS

- Trooper Plowman received the Silver Medal of Valor.
- Freda McKnight received awards for Dispatcher of the Quarter and Dispatcher of Year.
- Sara Toms received a Command Award for Acting Supervisor in the Court Services Section.
- Trooper Dudley received a Command Award for assisting the Command Staff as Trooper Liason, Audi Team Member, and his involvement in the Awards Committee.
- Dina Diaz received a Command Award for assisting the Command Staff with the Development and Implementation of Safestat Report Format.
- Sergeant Jackson received an award for Sworn Supervisor of the Quarter.
- Trooper Mulkey received an award for Trooper of the Quarter.
- Georganne Farrah received an award for Civilian of the Quarter.
- Shaun Stevens received an award for Civilian Supervisor of the Quarter.
- A citizen wrote to thank Sally Mendoza for assisting her with questions about a citation.
- A citizen wrote to thank Trooper Corcran for his assistance with changing a flat tire.
- Lieutenant Dart received a commendation letter for his extra efforts and timely response in providing Headquarters with information relating to the Safestat program and process.
- Sergeant Roehm wrote to express his sincere appreciation to members of the awards committee, for the ceremony held in honor of active and retired NHP members on April 21, 2004.
- Special Olympics wrote two letters thanking Trooper Zbinden for participating in “Tip-a-Cop at Applebee’s, and for obtaining the highest tips.
- Commanders wrote commendation letters to all dispatchers, congratulating them for their dedication and hard work during “National Public Safety Telecommunications Week.”

PUBLIC INFORMATION

“Get to the Point: The John Daly Radio Show” 970 am

Questions from listeners on traffic law and traffic safety. April 6th, 2004

Nellis Air Force Base Incoming Airman’s Briefing

Personnel reporting to Nellis Air Force Base were presented a class on Nevada traffic laws with special emphasis on seat belt safety and the dangers of driving while intoxicated. April 6th, 2004

Amber Alert Story: 5 Year Old Boy/Parental Abduction

A Las Vegas Valley father killed his wife and abducted his 5 year old son. The son was found two days later when the father turned himself in. April 8th, 2004

“Eggcellent Adventure”

Sunny 106 sponsored event at the sports complex. Over 3,000 kids and parents were given Easter candy and DPS safety information April 10th, 2004

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State of Nevada –vs- Vornelius Phillips

Trooper Robert Kintzel “Bobby” was struck by Phillips three years ago. Phillips was convicted and sentenced for the ten (10) felonies. Three (3) of these sentences are life without parole. April 21st, 2004.

Mentoring Program: Valley High School

Stay in school campaign: 120 students were involved with an open forum of questions and answers to be debated about why they need to stay in school. April 27th and April 29th, 2004

Every 15 Minutes

Trooper Kintzel was invited to be a guest speaker at the “Every 15 Minutes” at Valley High School. Metro Police and other agency’s have a mock demonstration that every 15 minutes someone is killed by a drunk driver. Over 900 students, parents and teachers participated. April 29th, 2004

Drivers ED: Sierra Vista High School

80 students were given an education class over traffic safety and their responsibilities once they obtain a drivers license. April 30th, 2004

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EVENTS

All American Buckle Up Week

May 24th-27th

Memorial Day Weekend

May 28th-31st

DUI roadblock and saturation patrol will be used in conjunction with these events.



Members of the Retirement / Awards Committee

Tpr. Dudley, Sgt. Johnson, Georganne Farrah, Sgt. Mack, Mary Shadel, & Georgene Turner



Trooper James Bell Retires after 24 years of State Service

Never confuse movement with action.

Ernest Hemingway